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Dear Examiner Brown:

Enclosed for filing is an Amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 19, 2006, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

James E. Howard

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 19, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-20 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1, 14, and 17 are amended to more clearly define the invention. Claims 1, 14, and 17 are independent.